



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: James Tiedje *et al.*

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Examiner: Johannsen, D.B.

Entitled: **Microbial Identification Chip Based On DNA-
DNA Hybridization**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
MAILED MAY 6, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Arlington, VA 22313-1450

<p align="center">CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8(a)</p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Arlington, VA 22313-1450, on July 2, 2003.</p> <p align="right">By  Cliff Cannon-Cin</p>

Dear Madam;

Please enter the following on the record in response to the above cited Office Action mailed May 6, 2003. A petition for a one month extension of time is included herewith. Amendments to the Claims are shown herein beginning on page 2, using the revised amendment format under the Waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 outlined on the Pre-OG Notice of Steven Kunin dated January 31, 2003. In addition, remarks regarding the amendments are shown herein beginning on page 5.